



**Universal Recycling Ordinance Phase 2
Administrative Rules Development Process**

**Stakeholder Meeting #3
Industrial and Manufacturing Property Owners and Managers
July 31, 2013**





DEFINING ZERO WASTE



The Austin Resource Recovery Master Plan Zero Waste goals:

- 75% diversion by 2020
- 90%+ diversion by 2040

The Universal Recycling Ordinance (URO) is one of many tools to get us there...

What Is The Universal Recycling Ordinance?



The infographic features a red seal with the text "Coming Soon!". A central speech bubble contains the text "Affected properties include:". Below this, two categories are listed: "Multifamily residential properties with 50 units or more" (with a blue circle containing "50 units+") and "Commercial office buildings 75,000 square feet or larger" (with a blue circle containing "75,000 sq. ft.+"). A blue recycling bin with a white recycling symbol is shown next to a speech bubble asking "Is your property ready for recycling?". At the bottom, it says "For technical assistance visit: www.austintexas.gov/commercialrecycling" and includes the Austin Resource Recovery logo.

The Universal Recycling Ordinance was designed to encourage waste reduction within Austin city limits by increasing access to recycling and composting

- Adopted by City Council in 2010
- Amended by City Council in 2013

Ordinance Requirements

These properties must provide recycling of all 5 materials:



OFFICE PAPER



PLASTICS #1 & #2



CARDBOARD



ALUMINUM



GLASS

Ordinance Requirements





Who Is Effected By The Universal Recycling Ordinance?



All (non-single family residence) property owners will be expected to comply with the Universal Recycling Ordinance by October of 2017.



Implementation Time Frame

Effective Date: October 1 of	Multi-Family Properties (dwelling units)	Commercial Properties (square feet of floor space)		
		Offices, Institutions	Other including Food Service, Retail, Manufacturing, or Industrial	Compostable Materials from Food Service Businesses
2012	>75	>100,000		
2013	>50	>75,000		
2014	>25	>50,000	>50,000	
2015	>10	>25,000	>25,000	
2016	All	>5,000	>5,000	>5,000
2017		All	All	All

URO Phase 1

URO Phase 2



Are There Penalties for Non-Compliance?



All affected properties will be expected to comply with the ordinance.

An offense under this chapter is punishable.

The City is committed to one year of education after a properties affected date before non-compliance enforcement will begin.

What Is An Ordinance And Administrative Rules?



Brick Oven Fired Pizza
New York Style
Gourmet PIZZA

	Med 12"	Lg 14"		
Cheese Pizza	\$8.95	\$10.95		
Additional Topping	\$1.45	\$1.65		
Margarita	\$10.95	\$13.95		
Garlic, olive oil, fresh tomato, fresh basil & mozzarella cheese				
Traditional White	\$10.95	\$13.95		
Garlic, olives oil, oregano, parmesan & mozzarella cheese				
Zaater Pizza	\$10.95	\$13.95		
Thyme, sesame, olive oil, fresh tomato, onion, feta & mozzarella cheese				
White Supreme	\$12.95	\$15.95		
Garlic, olive oil, oregano, chicken, spinach, fresh tomato, parmesan & mozzarella cheese				
Spinach Pizza	\$12.95	\$15.95		
Spinach, garlic, olive oil, oregano, parmesan, ricotta & mozzarella cheese				
Chicken Artichoke	\$12.95	\$15.95		
Chicken, artichoke, garlic, fresh tomato, olive oil, oregano, parmesan & mozzarella cheese				
Philly Steak	\$12.95	\$15.95		
Steak, mushrooms, green peppers, onion, cheddar & mozzarella cheese				
Italian Supreme	\$12.95	\$15.95		

Greek Pizza **\$12.95** **\$15.95**

Gyro meat, fresh tomato, black olives, feta & mozzarella cheese

Meat Lover's **\$12.95** **\$15.95**

Ham, Italian sausage, pepperoni, bacon & mozzarella cheese

Veggie Pizza **\$12.95** **\$15.95**

Mushrooms, green peppers, onion, fresh tomato, black olives & mozzarella cheese

Chicken Fajita **\$12.95** **\$15.95**

Grilled chicken breast, green pepper, onion, cheddar & mozzarella cheese

TOPPININGS

MUSHROOMS	ITALIAN SAUSAGE
TOMATO	PEPPERONI
ONION	MEATBALL
SPINACH	GRILLED CHICKEN
GREEN PEPPERS	ROASTED PEPPERS
ARTICHOKE	FRESH GARLIC

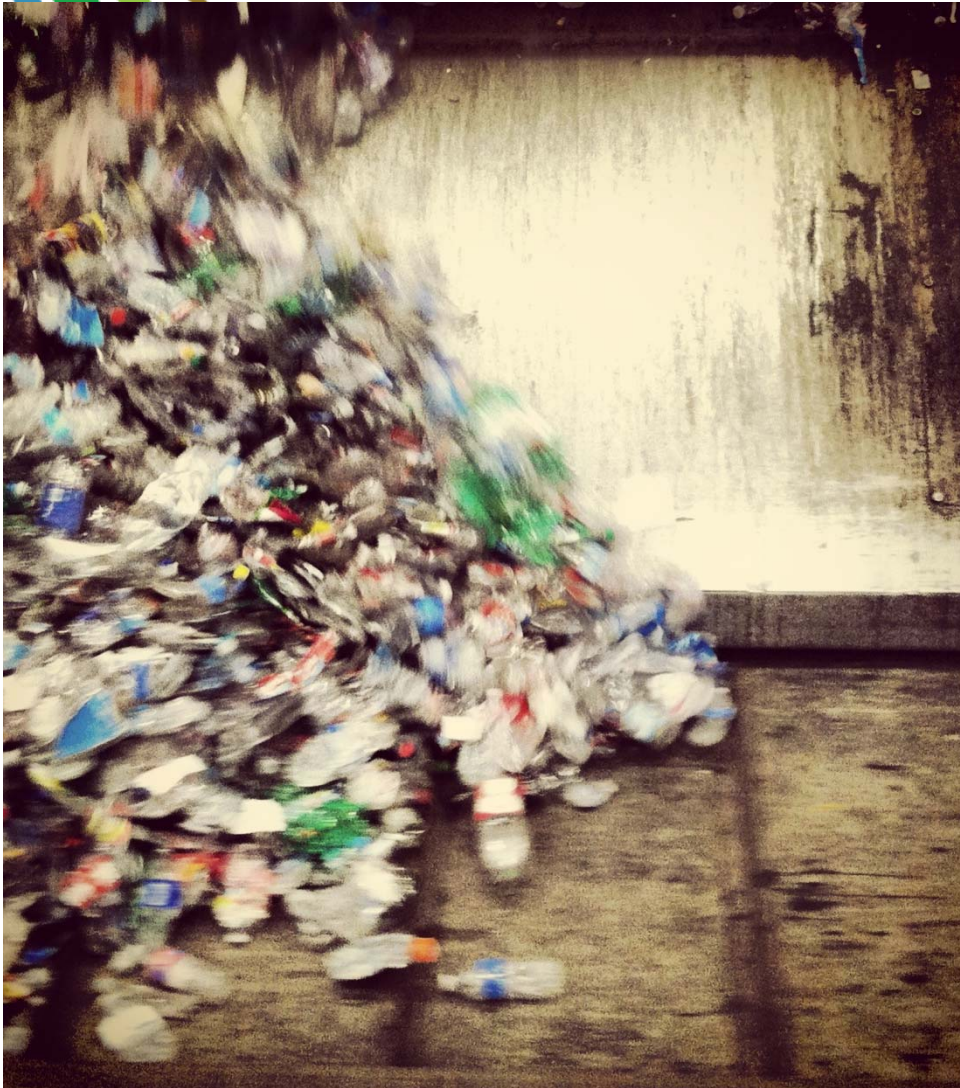
Ordinance / Menu

The framework – *it tells you what the expectation*

Administrative Rules / Recipe:

The details – *it tells the cook how to meet the expectations provided by the menu*

An Example From the Ordinance ...



Ordinance Requirements:

- Sufficient recycling service capacity
- Informational signage in English and Spanish
- Regular tenant and employee education
- Annual recycling plan forms



CHAPTER 15-6. SOLID WASTE SERVICES.

ARTICLE 5. UNIVERSAL RECYCLING.

Division 2. Service.

§ 15-6-93 EDUCATION.

(A) An owner of an affected premises must provide recycling information and

instructions in accordance with rules adopted by the director to:

- (1) all tenants and employees of the premises annually;
- (2) a new employee or tenant no later than the thirtieth day after the tenant occupies or the employee begins work at the premises; and
- (3) all employees or tenants not later than the 30th day after a substantive change in the recycling service offered at the premises.

(B) An owner or other person required to provide recycling service to a premises must provide recycling information and instructions in accordance with rules adopted by the director to:

- (1) each business, tenant, or organization located at the premises annually;
- (2) a business, tenant, or organization newly located to the premises not later than the 30th day after any change in occupancy; and
- (3) all occupancies at the premises not later than the 30th day after a change in the recycling service offered.

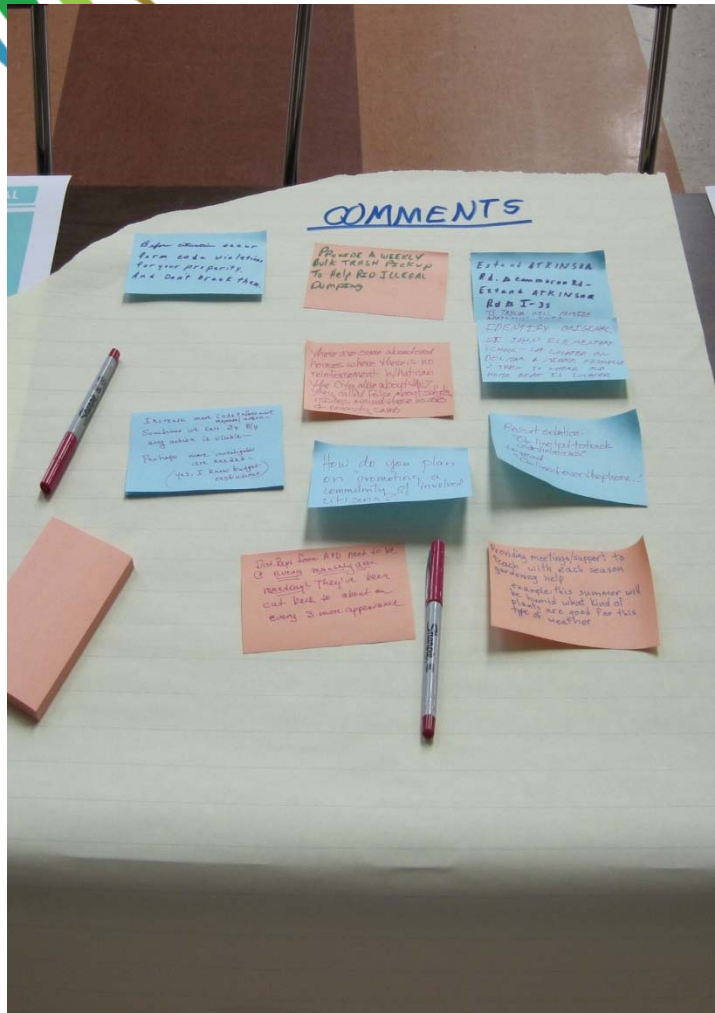
(C) All information and documentation, including signage, required to be provided to persons or posted as public information under this article must be written in English and Spanish and include universal symbols as adopted by the director.

(D) Each container designated or used for collection and disposal of materials to a state-recognized landfill must be prominently marked

8.10 Signs, Labels, and Container Identification

- 8.10.1 Affected property owners shall ensure the provision, posting, and maintenance of signs and labels indicating container location, and materials accepted, in their recycling programs.
- 8.10.2 All signs, whether interior or exterior, shall be labeled in both English and Spanish and may include other languages as deemed appropriate by service provider or property owner.
- 8.10.3 Exterior containers larger than one (1) cubic yard shall include two types of signs or stickers affixed to the container:
 - 8.10.3.1 18-inch round sticker or placard indicating “Landfill Trash”, “Compostable” or “Recyclable” materials accepted.
 - 8.10.3.2 24-inch by 18-inch sticker or placard, provided by the Service Provider, that indicates the common types of materials accepted in each exterior collection container.
 - 8.10.3.3 Container decals, stickers or placards that meet or exceed information and container surface area requirements shall be allowable alternatives.
- 8.10.4 Signs relating to a facility’s waste diversion program that are on or near containers shall be at minimum 24-inches by 18-inches in size and shall have high-contrast colors and background.
- 8.10.5 Signs that are designed as to adhere to surfaces, such as stickers, should adhere to metal or plastic surfaces and be difficult to remove.

Administrative Rules Adoption Process



1a) Stakeholder Meetings

Staff collects recommendations and solutions from stakeholders to aid in the drafting of the Administrative Rules.

1b) URO Phase 2 Committee of ZWAC

Will be updated throughout the drafting process. This committee is focused on directing the drafting of the Administrative Rules to recommend to ZWAC.

2) Zero Waste Advisory Commission

Will vote to approve or reject to adopt the administrative rules recommended by the URO Phase 2 Committee.

3) City Council

Will vote to approve or reject to adopt the administrative rules recommended by ZWAC.



Meeting Schedule

	Meetings	Scheduled Date*
Quarter 1	URO Phase 2 Committee - Kickoff	June 13, 2013
	Licensed Haulers	June 24, 2013
	Associations / Organizations	July 17, 2013
	Industrial / Manufacturing	July 31, 2013
	URO Phase 2 Committee - Update	August 13, 2013
Q2	Retail / Property management	August 28, 2013
	Grocery	September 9, 2013
	Healthcare	September 25, 2013
	Hotel / Motel	October 7, 2013
	Restaurants / Bars	October 22, 2013
	URO Phase 2 Committee - Update	November 14, 2013
Q3	Restaurants / Bars	November 19, 2013
	Other	December 4, 2013
	URO Phase 2 Committee - Final Update	December 17, 2013
Q4	Rules (final drafting and approvals); Public Hearings (ZWAC); City Council Adoption	January - June 2014

* Dates provided are subject to change.



What is the Best Way To Make Sure Your Recommendations Are Heard?

1) Stakeholder Meetings

Attend any stakeholder meeting and bring your concerns, recommendations, and solutions.

2) URO Phase 2 Committee Meetings

Attend a URO Phase 2 Committee Meeting and sign up to take part in the CITIZEN COMMUNICATION portion of the meeting.

Webpage:

www.austintexas.gov/department/universal-recycling-ordinance-phase-ii

Email:

commercialrecycling@austintexas.com

Telephone:

512/974-2192

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Facilitated Discussion

- 1) Responsible Parties (*Section 8.2*)
- 2) Recyclable Materials (*Section 8.6*)
- 3) Substitute Materials (*Section 8.7 and 8.13.3*)
- 4) Exterior Collection Areas and Containers (*Section 8.8*)
- 5) Interior Collection and Containers in Common Areas (*Section 8.9*)
- 6) Composting (*section – not in current rules*)



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